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minutes remaining.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Schmitt and Madam President What Senator Kristensen is doing now, I think, trying to work out a drafting of the amendment, and when you hear it, it's not going to sound like a great deal, but without that, we had nothing. And I am not going to state what the actual amounts will be. As he offers the amendment, when he does, he will explain the actual dollar amounts, the cost of the vehicles involved in each of the differing amounts of the fee. and tell how they will operate. For my part, I'm just now trying to give them time to work that out. Nobody should be too concerned about what we're doing because we're not going anywhere today, and we are not going anywhere tomorrow, but we're not exactly spinning our wheels on this bill, as we're going to be on another bill, Senator Beutler, that may come up And Senator Maurstad is not here, but...oh, he doesn't later. even know what bill it is. Maybe he's decided to pull it off the agenda, which, if he does, I think will have really facilitated the process. Maybe Senator Beutler is more collegial and more of a team player then I thought, and as I look down in front, I can see Senator Brown with kind of a saintly smile on her face. Maybe she has agreed to pull that bill, too, and I'll tell you what. It will help our process. He's going to define certificates of election as licenses, and those can be lifted, but if they do that, we're going to pronounce the certificate differently. Listen carefully. We will then pronounce them as "sustificates", not certificates, "sustificates", and you have to get it right, and if you can't pronounce "sustificate", Senator Brown, you forfeit yours immediately. Uh-huh, Senator Stuhr, you got it wrong, you're out of here. But, anyway, after we get through with those two amendments, I still will have opposition to the bill, but I recognize there is only so much we can get out of this bill. regret that after we've spent a lot of time on a measure such as this, people just kind of get tired and, (laughing) wait a minute, that's my goal. That's my tactic, Senator Schellpeper, to wear people down. But, see, I can't wear them down to the point where they accept something affirmative. I wear them down so we can mitigate the negutive. But at any rate, they feel that we've got to keep this bill now because we've spent so much time on it. That's not necessarily so. The time spent could